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Applicants:	Kennedy et al.
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For:	PROTEIN TYROSINE PHOSPHATASE-1B (PTP-1B) DEFICIENT MICE AND ASSAYS FOR PTP-1 MODULATORS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply, dated November 28, 2001, issued in response to the Applicants' submission in connection with the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, dated August 15, 2001, enclosed please find:

- (1) Formal Drawings;
- (2) a new Sequence Listing in paper and computer readable form;
- (3) a Petition for the Extension of Time.

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